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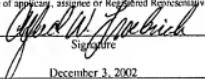
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Also enclosed is a copy of the European Search Report citing the references.

DE 299 08 498 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 6,148,964 disclose a front disk brake for a bicycle.

DE 25 22 622 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 4,029,179 disclose a disk brake with an axially floating casing.

EP 0688713 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 5,535,855 disclose a bicycle hub brake.

DE 195 36 157 which is also cited in the European Search Report has been previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 3, 2001.

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